LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Conservation Auditorium, 1st Floor, State Land & Natural Resources Building, 625 North4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2000,** upon the application of **BALLARD EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **8,200' Sand, Reservoir A and 8,500' Sand, Reservoir A,** in the Sabine Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To recognize that the 8,200' Sand, Reservoir A, is a new reservoir pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 648.4, as amended.
- 2. To recognize that the 8,500' Sand, Reservoir A, is a new reservoir pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 648.4, as amended.
- 3. To recognize that the Ballard Exploration Company State Lease 16095 No. 1 Well is a new discovery well for the 8,200' Sand, Reservoir A and for the 8,500' Sand, Reservoir A.
- 4. To recognize that unitization is not necessary because each of the subject reservoirs entirely underlies a voluntary unit with common ownership throughout.
- 5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 8,200' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Sabine Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,226' and 8,268' (ELM) in the Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. - State Lease 16095 No. 1 Well located in Township 14 South, Range 14 West.

The 8,500' Sand, Reservoir A, in the Sabine Lake Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,481' and 8,536' (ELM) in the Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. - State Lease 16095 No. 1 Well located in Township 14 South, Range 14 West.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge**, and **Shreveport**, Louisiana. All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

PHILIP N. ASPRODITES COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 3/9/00;3/14/00 S

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES</u>, <u>PERSONNEL SECTION</u> AT P.O. BOX 94396, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9396 IN WRITING OR BY TELEPHONE (225) 342-

2134 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M., MONDAY THRU FRIDAY WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.